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## Mayor's State of the City Message



As 2011 begins, we have much to celebrate within our city. But in talking to our residents and listening to their concerns, I know how much work lies ahead. Today our nation is still feeling the aftermath of the worst economic downturn since the Great Depression, and Roseburg has not been spared. After reaching over 18% in 2009, we have made progress in lowering our unemployment rate. But people are still losing their homes, businesses have been forced to close their doors and cutbacks have been felt in

education, programs for the needy and services provided by state and local government. Still, as I talk to many of you, I hear an unwavering optimism that tomorrow will bring a better day. We have seen adversity before--the Roseburg blast of 1959, the flooding of 1964 and the decline of logging in the '80's. But each time we have emerged stronger than before. This time will be no different. It is a testament to our Council members, our City employees and our everyday citizens that we are still able to celebrate the many accomplishments of 2010 while looking forward to the projects and developments of 2011.



City Recorder Sheila Cox, Human Resources Director Barbara Gershon, Finance Director Cheryl Guyett and Management Technician Debi Davidson have worked closely with City Manager Eric Swanson on several projects including completing the transition to the



Public Safety Center and implementing the CORP Switchyard Relocation.

Human Resources recruited, screened and hired 12 regular employees, promoted or transferred 8 current employees and transitioned 17 workers from city employment.

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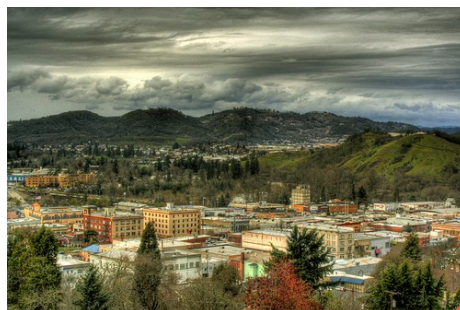
The department also received their eighth Safety Award from the League of Oregon Cities. For the seventeenth consecutive year, the Finance Department received the Government Finance Officers Association Award for "Excellence in Financial Reporting" for their 2009 annual report. They also implemented an online bill paying system which allows customers to view their account information and pay their utility bills electronically, saving both the customers and the City time and money. One of the major projects for the Information Technology Division was the implementation of a new Voice Over Internet Protocol system (VoIP) for the entire city. The new system not only will save the city money in telephone and leased line costs, but allows employees to take advantage of modern technologies such as phone service via the existing computer network and call conferencing. Administrative staff spent considerable time on the *ConnectOregon* III grant applications for airport improvements, collaborative



work with county, state and federal agencies on efforts to secure the Oregon State Veterans Home on the Roseburg VA campus and working with the Cow Creek Tribe on the development of the Downtown Roseburg Business Incubator site.

Brian Davis, head of the Community Development Department was given the OAPA Award for "Distinguished Leadership by a Professional Planner". Brian's department completed work on several projects during 2010. First, the Roseburg Waterfront Plan was adopted for the purpose of creating a desirable, inviting and identifiable area for our city. The theme of this plan is to create a "String of Pearls" or small, achievable improvement projects beginning at the Harvard Avenue I-5 Exit, continuing over the Oak and Washington Street bridges, and leading to the east bank of the South Umpqua River.

A second major accomplishment was the successful merging of two downtown area groups into one unified organization. For years,



the Roseburg Town Center and the Roseburg Business Association competed for resources intended for the same goals. Putting past differences aside, the two groups merged to become the Downtown Roseburg Association, a single, non-profit organization. This allowed the City and the downtown property owners to use over \$100,000 for economic activity and improved building facades. The City also partnered with UCC students who provided free floor plans to downtown property owners who are interested in utilizing their upper stories as residential units. And while building permit numbers were down

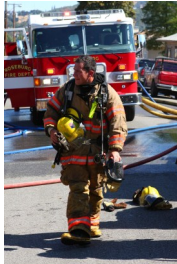


significantly for 2010, the final inspection and approval was given to Costco for their opening in August. Already, sales predictions for this facility have been far exceeded.

2010 marked the first full year of occupation in the new Public Safety Center. Mike Lane took over for longtime Fire Chief

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Jack Cooley who retired after 30 years of service to his City. During Fire Prevention Week, staff participated in the Fire Prevention Fair where over 7,000 participants attended the



event including 29 different vendors, fire departments throughout the county and the State Fire Marshal's Office. Nine private and public schools from around the county also attended. Though emergency calls make training difficult, it continues to be a top priority for fire personnel. Through a grant, the Department hosted a three day railcar emergency class and later partnered with the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training to bring a live fire training trailer to Roseburg for some intense hands-on work. Completion of the



Polycom camera system will allow training sessions from the Public Safety

Center to be broadcast to the substations so that personnel are able to remain in their response areas while receiving valuable training. Personnel responded to over

4,500 emergency incidents in 2010, an increase of over 300 from the previous year. The Department has applied for a federal grant which, if successful, will allow the City to hire four additional firefighters. Discussions also continue concerning the need for an additional fire station in the future in order to ensure that response times are consistent with national standards.

Following the retirement of Mark Nickel, Jim Burge was sworn in as Roseburg Police Chief. The Photo Red Light program is still awaiting final approval from the Oregon Department of Transportation and should be implemented during the first quarter of 2011. Master Officer Dave Lund was selected by his peers as the Police Officer of the Year for his timeless volunteer work with youth and community sports activities. Patrol and Criminal Investigations Division members handled several major crimes including the abuse and murder of a young child and the attempted murder of a woman during an argument with her boyfriend. Although budget cuts forced the elimination of one officer, a single School Resource Officer is still a presence in our schools. Nine active members of the Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) drove their personal



vehicles almost 14,000 miles in order to contribute over 3,000 hours of volunteer time. They are a vital asset to both the police and the community. The Department continues to enjoy a productive partnership with the Douglas County Juvenile Department and the RAYS Youth Court Program. Utilizing the peer court model, this program targets first-time offenders for substance abuse violations and misdemeanor crimes. In 2010 the program handled approximately 209 cases and proved once again to be extremely successful. 93% of those referred to RAYS were attending school, had graduated or received their GED and/or were employed by the time their cases were closed.

Additionally, these youthful offenders completed 1,413 hours of community service worth almost \$12,000 in work provided to our city. Overall, despite being short staffed due to budget reductions and injury-related light duty assignments, the Department saw a 21% increase in crimes reported, a 26% increase in arrests and a 12% increase in





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calls for service. Members of the Roseburg Police Department remain dedicated and proud to provide for the safety and well-being of the citizens and visitors to our City.

Public Works, under the direction of Nikki Messenger,



accomplished a lot in 2010. Thanks to a grant from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, the Stewart Park Playground was modernized. New play equipment was installed including separate age appropriate play structures, new swings and a very popular climbing net. Nearby the Stewart Park

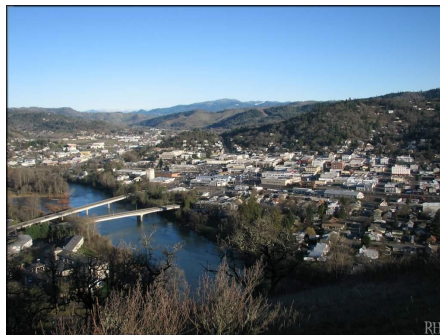
Locomotive benefited from a new paint job thanks to



volunteers from the Rotary Club and others who worked to renovate the train. New programs were initiated that helped both the young and the

young at heart. The City received a grant that supplied a dozen sets of children's golf clubs for the new "Sticks for Kids" program at Stewart Park. For our older citizens, a new senior fitness program was introduced in partnership with Atrio Health Plans. Other programs, continuing in their second year of success, include adult fitness boot camps, Wise Kids Outdoor, Museum in the Park, Movies in the Park and beginning skateboard and disc golf classes.

The Water Division stepped up efforts to reduce water loss and replace defective water meters. The City replaced 2,200 lineal feet of water mains on Diamond Lake Boulevard, Dixonville Road, Main Street and Marsters Street. Also in 2010, Reservoir #7, the City's



largest holding 4 million gallons, received an interior recoating. The new *Water System Master Plan* was adopted and will guide the

development of the transmission, distribution, pumping and reservoir systems for the next twenty years. Public Works is also dedicated to protecting the public's investment in our street system. As part of this effort, Broad Street north of Edenbower Boulevard was widened, and bike lanes, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, storm drainage and street lighting were all installed. And Garden Valley Boulevard, between the western City limits and Goetz Street, was grinded and repaved. Additionally, eight other streets were overlaid and ten streets were slurry sealed.



The Roseburg Regional Airport experienced a successful year in obtaining grant monies. The Airport was awarded five *ConnectOregon III* grants, the last of which was awarded to construct a runway extension. The north end of the runway will be extended 400 feet as part of that

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project. Design is currently underway with construction tentatively scheduled for 2011. Work also continues on a project to move the taxiway to the west in order to meet safety standards.

While we've accomplished a great deal in 2010, much lies ahead for 2011. We will explore plans for straightening the S-curves on Stewart Parkway between the Ford Family Foundation and the YMCA. We will look at the possibility of redeveloping the



area that had been the old railroad switching yard downtown. We will work on developing our Sustainability Plan in order to find ways to conserve energy and preserve

and protect our environment. One such project is the Public Safety Center Solar Project.

We will continue to work with the Cow Creek Tribe of Indians on their development of the downtown Roseburg Business Incubator site, and with the County, VA and Oregon Legislature to bring the Oregon State Veterans Home to the VA campus. We will also be investigating the possibility of initiating a K9 police dog



program. Springfield police provided the City with two impressive demonstrations of their K9 capabilities. Among the highlights were the dog's ability to track and find suspects and missing persons, locate critical evidence and provide a positive public

relations opportunity for the police department and the city as a whole. And finally we will hire an Airport Director to oversee the operations at the Airport.



In closing, I would like to once more thank the members of the City Council, City staff and employees, and the many members of our community who volunteer their time and efforts--all who remain dedicated to keeping Roseburg one of the best small towns in Oregon.

Respectfully,

Larry Rich  
Mayor





# IMPORTANCE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING



Happy New Year!

Yogi Berra was quoted once as saying, “if you don’t know where you are going, you often wind up there!”

Recently, Mayor Rich, City Council and City Staff have been meeting to develop consensus around the themes, goals, objectives and actions contained within the City’s Strategic Plan.

The Strategic Plan is a vision statement regarding some of the major operational goals City leaders would like to address in the next five years. City leadership is committed to prioritizing these opportunities understanding we operate in an environment with limited resources.

The goals, objectives and action items are organized under the themes of:

- A Safe City
- Great Neighborhoods
- A Healthy Economy
- Effective Government

Within these themes comprise 18 staff-recommended goals that have specific objectives and actions to implement them.

Work has yet to be completed on establishing the specific objectives and action plans. The Mayor and City Council plan to finalize this part of the process in the first quarter of 2011, prior to the 2011/12 budgeting process. Once adopted, this Plan will be utilized as a road map guiding many of our future decisions.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Swanson  
City Manager



**Our Mission:** *The City of Roseburg is dedicated to the well-being of all citizens and the livability of our community.*

**Our Vision:** *Advance our community through leadership and communication.*

## Salmon Sculptures In Roseburg



Eight salmon sculptures created by Roseburg sculptor Dean Kermit Allison and decorated by local artists are now available for your viewing pleasure. Thirty-two class participants worked on the project through the Ford Family Foundation which is dedicated to promoting civic involvement in rural communities. The former downtown fire station was offered for temporary use as an “artist loft” to decorate the salmon. At about 5 feet long, suspended on metal poles, each salmon’s scales vary greatly.

Besides Roseburg City Hall, other sculptures can be viewed at:

- ◆ Douglas County Library
- ◆ Mercy Medical Center
- ◆ Umpqua Valley Arts Center
- ◆ Umpqua Community College
- ◆ Premier West Bank, Downtown Branch
- ◆ Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians
- ◆ City of Roseburg Visitor and Convention Bureau

## Welcome New HR Director

Happy to be here...

I was raised in Hillsboro, Oregon. That city has grown a great deal over the years, but when I left there 25 years ago to attend the University of Oregon, it had the great small city feel and tight knit community that reminds me so much of Roseburg today. In 1998, I moved to Douglas County with my wife Robin, who grew up in Roseburg and always had a desire to return. The move was a great one for us, and we quickly realized Roseburg was the place we wanted to stay and raise a family.

My career in Roseburg has included working in Human Resources for Sun Studs starting in 1999, and in 2001 I was able to stay with the mill when Swanson Group took ownership of the facility. In 2006, I took an opportunity to move to Swanson's Corporate location in Glendale, serving the employees there for the last five years.

In my years with Swanson Group, I took great pride in serving our employees and have appreciated the chance to support the hard working people we have in Roseburg

and Douglas County. As a human resources representative, my goal has always been to help employees and the company work together to have one of the safest, best trained and most productive work forces in the wood products industry.

I hope to bring that same level of support to the employees of the City of Roseburg. I've been impressed in my exposure to the City staff and their commitment to community service and public safety. I look forward to helping to contribute to the tradition of customer service and the value City employees place on providing the best service possible to the City of Roseburg.

I would like to extend a special thank you to Barbara Gershon, as she enters retirement after 23 years of service to the City. I am grateful for the opportunity to follow a long tenured professional who has done outstanding work in building the City's Human Resources Office from the ground up. I plan to follow the path Barbara has laid out in helping to provide the City's employees with the recognition, benefits and work environment they've come to expect, while providing

Roseburg's citizens with great service and value.

Thank you for the opportunity to step into the role as the City's Human Resources Director. I would appreciate feedback on how the Human Resources Office can best serve the employees and citizens of Roseburg. Please call me at 541-492-6866 with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,



John VanWinkle  
HR Director



## CITY ADOPTS FIRST STEP IN DEVELOPING SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

The City moved forward with plans to develop policies providing a balanced and positive quality of life through economic, social and environmental practices. In a word: Sustainability. With that in mind, the City Council, with help from an advisory committee and several City commissions, developed a Sustainability Plan for the City of Roseburg to meet its present needs without compromising future resources.

The overall goal is for the City to minimize the impacts their operations have on taxpayers and the environment. Once the initial framework is established it will return to the City Council. Final action could lead to more responsible government, increased conservation measures, cost savings through improved efficiency and an economic system that sustains strong businesses.

Having this plan in place for City operations is seen as a good community example for other local businesses to follow. A recent study found that the Douglas County economy could improve by targeting more firms that embrace sustainable business practices. The City hopes their first steps of in-house sustainability will help achieve this goal and bring jobs back to the area.

## Citizen Review Board in Need of Volunteers



The Citizen Review Board (CRB) is in need of volunteers. The CRB, a component of the Oregon Judicial Department, is composed of well trained community volunteers. Board Members volunteer one to two days per month to study case materials and participate in administrative reviews of children placed in out of home care.

The CRB creates a system of checks and balances in which the community has both input and impact on how the Department of Human Services serves the children and families of Oregon. In addition, Board Members play an integral role in local and statewide advocacy efforts to improve foster care in Oregon.

After successful completion of a comprehensive training program, each Board Member is placed on a board that meets one day per month. A typical review day is eight to ten cases. For each case, Board Members study case documents and participate in an administrative review in which legal and interested parties are invited. The Board then makes findings regarding state and federal law and

recommendations to the parties and the court for each case. The Board also tracks system issues and advocates for system improvements.

In dependency cases, the focus is to ensure every child is placed in a safe, permanent home as quickly as possible, that appropriate services are implemented, and that families are preserved whenever possible. In guardianship cases, the emphasis is on the guardian's compliance with court orders, the child's well being, and the on-going suitability of the guardian to provide for the child's best interest. In adoption cases, the Board Members seek the best match possible for the child, implementation of appropriate services, and that adoption finalization is achieved in a timely fashion.

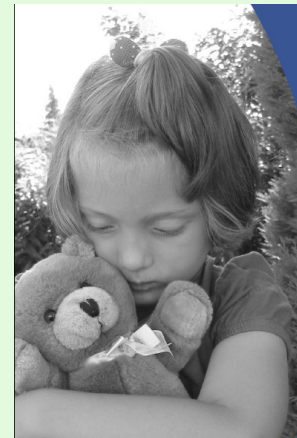
### For more information contact:

Volunteer Resource Coordinator

Toll Free: 1-888-530-8999

E-mail: [CRB.Volunteer.Resources@ojd.state.or.us](mailto:CRB.Volunteer.Resources@ojd.state.or.us)

Website: [www.ojd.state.or.us/crb](http://www.ojd.state.or.us/crb)





# City Sponsors Guardians of Heroes Project



contributing engineering plans for the project which includes a paved, striped parking lot, curb and gutter and a central memorial area.

\$100. The City's participation as sponsor allows the portion of the contributions that exceeds fair market value to be tax-deductible.

The Guardians hope to complete the project by either Memorial Day or Veterans Day 2011. Because the work itself is expected to take less than three weeks total, the timing of completion will be dictated by the speed of fundraising. So far, the Guardians have raised approximately \$11,500 (including the value of the services donated by i.e. Engineering, Inc.) toward the projected \$180,000 price tag.

The Guardians of Heroes welcomed the City as a sponsor after City Council approval just before Thanksgiving. The Guardians are a nonprofit corporation formed for the purpose of improving the parking area at the Roseburg National Cemetery.



The central area is envisioned as the place at which memorial services would take place. The parking area also is used by individuals and families who use the soccer fields surrounding the Arts Center.

Jim Burge, now the City's Police Chief, had the idea for the project after attending three military funerals at the cemetery during the winter of 2009. At each, the families of the deceased veterans had to slog through mud to reach the gravesites. He said he realized immediately what Douglas County could and must do better to honor its veterans.



The Guardians started fundraising July 4, 2010, by hosting an event in conjunction with the Stewart Park fireworks show. Since then, fundraising has been by sales of engraved bricks that will be part of the central memorial area. The group is selling 12 X 12 bricks, with five lines of text for \$200 and 8 X 4 bricks with three lines of text for

The owners of i.e. Engineering, Inc. started the ball rolling by

Individuals and businesses can obtain information or forms from the Guardians' President, Derek D. Simmons, from his office at 425 SE Jackson, Roseburg, OR 97470, by phone at 541-673-5528, or via email at [DSimmons@WLRLaw.com](mailto:DSimmons@WLRLaw.com).



# It Pays To Be Prepared!



strangers to fires, floods, earthquakes or even acts of violence, and although these emergencies may seem different on the surface, they all have one thing in common; they can be survived. The trick, however, is to be prepared, and the best time to start preparing for such events is now, before they happen.

Whether the disaster is small and personal (a power outage or fire at your house), to large and more far-reaching (a large-scale disaster that knocks out utilities and public services for an extended period), all emergencies and disasters share one common trait - if you can identify your needs now, you can plan for them and hopefully lessen the impact of the event on you, your family and your business.

So, what should you do to get the ball rolling? Consider the following six steps, which will take you from a state of non-prepared to the beginnings of self-reliance, and ultimately, better peace of mind:

## 1. Make a Plan:



Identify known and possible risks where you live and work. Determine evacuation routes out of your

home; designate meeting places outside your home and your neighborhood; agree on who to call, including out-of-state contacts, after a disaster.

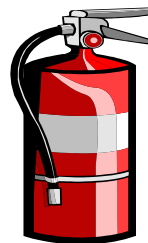
## 2. Assemble an Emergency Kit:



Keep food and water on hand for at least five days, and remember to include foods that need minimal

cooking and/or refrigeration. Flashlights, gloves, basic tools and a battery powered radio with weather bands are a must, as are extra batteries and dry clothes. Don't forget prescription medications or the needs of your children and pets.

## 3. Reduce Hazards:



Conduct home and workplace safety inspections on a regular basis, maintain safety items like smoke detectors and fire extinguishers.

Become more aware of your surroundings and work on mitigating the potential dangers in everyday activities.

## 4. Learn Skills:



- Take a first-aid class, and learn CPR.

- Learn how and when to turn off your utilities.

- Learn how to use a fire extinguisher.

What would you do if there was a fire at your place of business right now? Would you know how to escape safely? Chances are you would, because this is something you and your co-workers have rehearsed or possibly discussed in the past, and you have a plan in place. How about if there was an earthquake? What would you do in the event of a large-scale hazardous materials spill? How about a violent attack from a customer, disgruntled co-worker or political extremist?

Some of the above scenarios may seem extreme and uncommon, but don't kid yourself, they happen more often than most people would like to consider. Living in the Pacific Northwest, we are not



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- Learn some basic wilderness survival skills such as fire-making and shelter-building.

## 5. Practice Drills:



Take the time to practice simple drills with your family and co-workers. If you have never practiced "drop, cover and hold," the likelihood of you performing this "quake safe" action when there is an earthquake is only about 10 percent. Every time you practice, you double your chances of doing the right thing. Establish home evacuation routes and meeting places, and practice these on a regular basis.

## 6. Develop a Family Reunion Plan:



The biggest cause of anxiety after a disaster is the uncertainty about the well-being of loved ones. Mobile phone relays can break down or get overloaded, so don't rely on them. Text messages will often go through when cell towers are overwhelmed, but this is not a certainty. Talk with your family now about where you would meet and how you would communicate after a disaster by making a plan.

The American Red Cross offers a site where family members, friends, and loved ones can log status updates about each other during a large-scale emergency event. Visit the site ([www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)) and become familiar with how to use it.

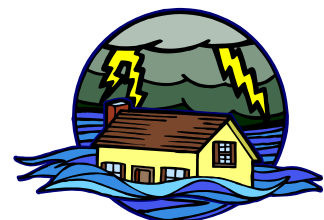


So what if you never have the misfortune of being stranded by severe weather, never need to escape a burning building and are never caught in the middle of a violent, human-caused event? Why should you prepare for such possibilities now? Well, the choice is up to you. However, when making your decision, remember that you have insured your house, your car, and most likely your life in the event of unforeseen accidents and tragedies. When you think about it, taking the time to examine potential threats in your area, set a list of priorities and create plans to survive in the event of these threats is not a very big investment, and the payoff is much bigger.

Please take the time to assess your needs and preparedness levels. Use the resources you have at hand, such as the internet, to further research this topic and educate yourself

on what you can do now to survive later. Look for terms like "emergency preparedness", "72-hour kit" or "disaster planning". Check out websites like [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov), [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov), or [www.oregon.gov/OMD/OEM/](http://www.oregon.gov/OMD/OEM/). All of these sites contain great information and links to other resources which you can use to start planning today for peace of mind tomorrow.

Also, feel free to contact the Roseburg Fire Department for further information on emergency preparedness or fire safety. We can be reached via e-mail at [fireprevention@cityofroseburg.org](mailto:fireprevention@cityofroseburg.org).





# Ordinances

The following are the Ordinances passed by the Roseburg City Council during the last six months of calendar year 2010.

***“ORDINANCE”***: A written directive or act of a governing body. Ordinances have the full effect of law within the local government’s boundaries, provided they do not conflict with a state statute or constitutional provision. An ordinance has two readings at Council prior to being voted on by the Council. An ordinance becomes effective 30 days after the second reading, unless an emergency is declared which enables the Ordinance to become effective immediately.

**Ordinance No. 3355**: “An Ordinance of the City of Roseburg Amending the Roseburg Land Use and Development Ordinance No. 2981 by Adopting Updates and Clarification to Sections 1.090, 2.3.300, 2.3.325, 2.3.350, 2.3.375, 2.3.400, 2.4.100 and 3.15.100 Regarding Definitions, Historic Resource Review, Signs and Neighborhood Uses Permitted Conditionally,” adopted July 26, 2010.

**Ordinance No. 3356**: “An Ordinance of the City of Roseburg Amending Roseburg Municipal Code Sections 2.22.020, 2.22.030 and

2.22.040 Regarding the Historic Resource Review Commission,” adopted July 26, 2010.

**Ordinance No. 3357**: “An Ordinance Amending Section 9.08.005 of the Roseburg Municipal Code Relating to Definitions for Taxi and Limousine Regulations,” adopted July 26, 2010.

**Ordinance No. 3358**: “An Ordinance Repealing Roseburg Municipal Code Section 3.12.040 Regarding Municipal Court Costs,” adopted October 11, 2010.

**Ordinance No. 3359**: “An Ordinance Amending Section 10.04.090 and Adding Section 10.04.100 Regarding Appeals and Civil Penalties for the Violation of the State Specialty Codes, Administrative Rules and the International Property Maintenance Code to Chapter 10.04 of the Roseburg Municipal Code, adopted October 11, 2010.

**Ordinance No. 3360**: “An Ordinance Declaring a Comprehensive Plan Amendment Adopting by Reference the Waterfront Master Development Plan,” adopted October 25, 2010.

**Ordinance No. 3361**: “An Ordinance Granting Group Six Communications a Franchise

Retroactive to January 1, 2010, to Use the Public Ways of the City of Roseburg for Purposes of Providing Telecommunications Services in Accordance With Applicable Provisions of the Roseburg Municipal Code,” adopted October 25, 2010.

**Ordinance No. 3362**: “An Ordinance Granting Reliance Communications International a Franchise Retroactive to March 1, 2010 to Use the Public Ways of the City of Roseburg for Purposes of Providing Telecommunications Services in Accordance With Applicable Provisions of the Roseburg Municipal Code,” adopted October 25, 2010.

**Ordinance No. 3363**: “An Ordinance Declaring a Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Zone Change for Property Located on NE Aviation,” adopted November 8, 2010.

**Ordinance No. 3364**: “An Ordinance Granting ACN Communication Services a Franchise Retroactive to July 1, 2010 to Use the Public Ways of the City of Roseburg for Purposes of Providing Telecommunication Services in Accordance with Applicable Provisions of the Roseburg Municipal Code,” adopted November 22, 2010.



# Construction at Station 2.

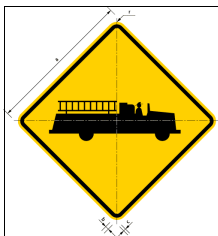


like fire engines, are quite common. “If we can eliminate one accident in the future, this project will be well worth it” says Roseburg Fire Chief Mike Lane.

The City currently owns the property directly behind the fire station. This property was previously purchased with the intent of allowing future fire station improvements or modifications. There currently is an overhead door in the rear of the station that would allow a fire truck to pull into the bay from the back and exit through the front.

The residence that was located on the property was recently sold and relocated. This winter, interior remodel work will begin. Look for exterior ground work and paving to begin in the spring when the weather is less inclement.

In the coming months, citizens who travel the Westside of Roseburg will see some construction at the Harvard Avenue Fire Station. Since the widening of Harvard many years ago, the increased size of modern fire engines and increased traffic, it has become increasingly more difficult to back fire engines into the station. Funds were budgeted in 2010-11 for a “Fire Signal” to stop traffic, allowing fire engines to enter and exit the fire station in a safer manner. During the planning phase of the fire signal project, Public Works staff discussed the planned installation with key Fire Department personnel. The most critical safety item for the Fire Department is to prevent an accident during egress and entrance of a fire



engine to the station. The purpose of the light is to stop traffic during these critical times. Although the light would improve safety at the fire station, it would not eliminate the need to back the fire engine into the apparatus bay.

After consideration of the signal, other options for improving station safety were discussed and a better solution was developed. The decision was made to remodel the Harvard Avenue Fire Station to allow for a drive-through apparatus bay. This would allow the engine to enter the station from the back of the building, eliminating the need to back into the station. The Garden Valley Fire Station and the new Public Safety Center are equipped with drive-through apparatus bays as well. Accidents backing large vehicles,

stop traffic, allowing fire engines to enter and exit the fire station in a safer manner. During the planning phase of the fire signal project, Public Works staff discussed the planned installation with key Fire Department personnel. The most critical safety item for the Fire Department is to prevent an accident during egress and entrance of a fire



# Resolutions

*The following are the Resolutions passed by the Roseburg City Council during the last six months of calendar year 2010.*

***“RESOLUTION”***: An order of a governing body; requires less legal formality than an Ordinance. Statutes or City Charter specify which actions must be by Ordinance and which may be by Resolution. For cities, revenue-raising measures such as taxes, special assessments and service charges are always imposed by Ordinance; fee amendments, however, are made by Resolution. Prior to adoption, a Resolution only needs to be read before the City Council once (by title only, if no member of the Council objects).

**Resolution No. 2010-10:** “A Resolution Establishing 2010-2011 Budget Appropriations for Community Development Block Grant Expenditures,” adopted July 26, 2010.

**Resolution No. 2010-11:** “A Resolution Establishing the 2010 Policy for Long-Term Leasing of Corporate Hangar Space at the Roseburg Regional Airport,” adopted September 13, 2010.

**Resolution No. 2010-12:** “A Resolution Amending Resolution No. 92-13

Regarding Airport Rental/Lease Fees,” adopted September 13, 2010.

**Resolution No. 2010-13:** “A Resolution Establishing Budget Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2010-11,” adopted September 13, 2010.

**Resolution No. 2010-14:** “A Resolution Authorizing and Supporting Application for an Oregon Department of Transportation Flexible Funds Program Grant,” adopted October 25, 2010.



**Resolution No. 2010-15:** “A Resolution Repealing and Replacing Resolution No. 2000-11 Regarding the City of Roseburg Parks Rules and Regulations,” adopted November 8, 2010.

**Resolution No. 2010-16:** “A Resolution Enacting the City of Roseburg Park Memorial and Naming Policy,” adopted November 22, 2010.

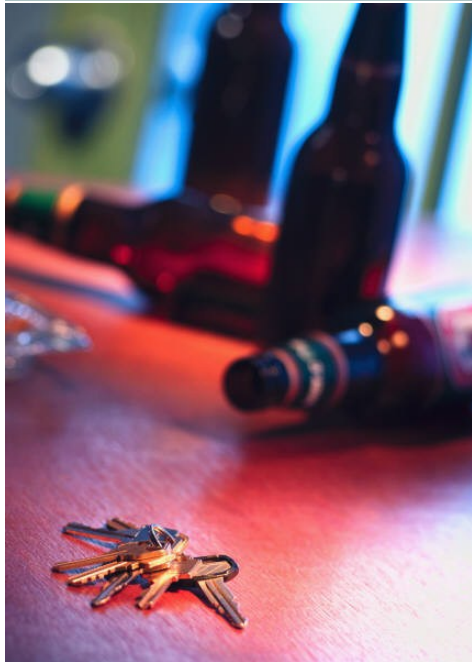
**Resolution No. 2010-17:** “A Resolution Regarding Exemption from Competition in Public Contracting for the Stewart Parkway Realignment Project,” adopted December 13, 2010.

**Resolution No. 2010-18:** “A Resolution Extending the Temporary Reduction of the Transportation Systems Development Charges,” adopted December 13, 2010.

Complete copies of, or more information regarding City Ordinances and Resolutions may be obtained through the City Manager’s Office on the third floor of City Hall, 900 SE Douglas Avenue, Roseburg; by calling 541/492-6866 or requested via e-mail sent to [ddavidson@cityofroseburg.org](mailto:ddavidson@cityofroseburg.org).



## DUII Prevention and Awareness Not Just For the Holidays



County Traffic Safety Commission. The event featured the OSP mobile DUII processing vehicle, the Fatal Vision goggles and maybe most importantly, a vehicle that was involved in a DUII crash that took the life of an 18 year old Oregon resident.

The event was intended to remind everyone of the importance of driving sober and of the consequences of drunk driving. One in three fatal accidents in Oregon during 2009 involved a driver with a breath alcohol content of .08% or higher. People who attended the event were reminded to plan ahead if they were going to be drinking alcohol outside the home and to have safe and sober transportation. Everyone knows the dangers associated with drunk driving but events like this are an important tool in the prevention of drunk driving.

Drunk driving is not just a holiday issue. Each year, officers of the Roseburg Police Department arrest about 200 people for DUII. Officers are assigned to DUII enforcement patrols which focus specifically on the apprehension of intoxicated drivers. The Roseburg Police Department has been awarded a grant for DUII enforcement in 2011. This grant from the Oregon

Association of Chiefs of Police will provide \$3,500 in funding that will be used for DUII patrols. These DUII patrols will be conducted in conjunction with the DUII patrols of other agencies and will continue throughout the year.

The Roseburg Police Department urges drivers to remember these tips:

- Don't drink and drive ("Buzzed driving is drunk driving"), and don't ride with anyone who has been drinking.
- Never use illegal drugs.
- Volunteer to be a designated driver.
- If someone who's been drinking insists on driving, take his/her keys.
- If hosting a gathering, provide non-alcoholic beverages.
- Drive defensively at all times.

Report drunk drivers by calling 911.



The Roseburg Police Department, along with its community partners, work diligently during the holidays to promote sober driving and raise awareness around the issue of drunk driving. Events like the '3D' Drunk and Drugged Driving event held on December 21<sup>st</sup> are intended to bring the issue of drunk driving to the minds of all drivers.

This year's event included representatives from the Roseburg Police Department, Oregon Department of Transportation, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Roseburg Fire Department, Oregon State Police, Sutherlin Police Department, Winston Police Department, Myrtle Creek Police Department, M.A.D.D. and the Douglas



## New Parks & Recreation Programs

'Discover Roseburg', our first geocaching event, will kick off Saturday, January 29,



2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Geocaching is a high-tech treasure hunting game enjoyed by adventure seekers young and old who are equipped with a global positioning system (GPS) and the desire to have some outdoor fun. Participants will register and pick up their 'passport' at the Sleep Inn (2855 NW Edenbower Blvd) in Roseburg. The passport will lead you to locations around Roseburg where you will be asked to answer specific questions (there is nothing to download online). This will be a fun event for the entire family!

Geocoins will be awarded to participants with completed passports. The 'Discover Roseburg' geocache series will continue until all geocoins have been awarded. After the initial kick-off event, passports and coins will be available at

Roseburg City Hall (1<sup>st</sup> floor) and also at Waldron's Outdoor Sports.

We are excited to offer a new program designed especially for older adults titled 'Low Impact Senior Fitness.' This program, co-sponsored by ATRIO Health Plans, gives older adults an opportunity to socialize while enjoying a light exercise routine. Classes begin

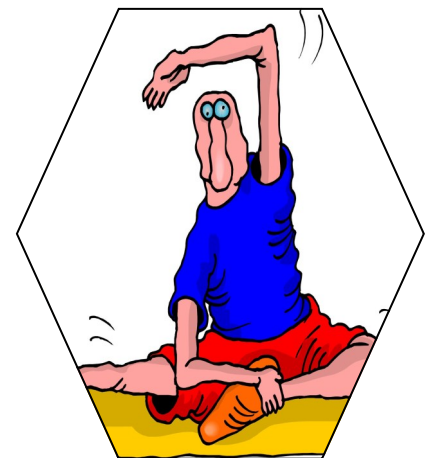


with stretching, followed by light exercise and walking, and close with stretching and a cool-down period. Participants should wear loose, comfortable clothing and good walking shoes. There is a \$1 fee per class on a drop-in basis; therefore, no time commitment or advance registration is required. Classes are held from 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Roseburg National Guard Armory, 111 General Avenue,

Roseburg.

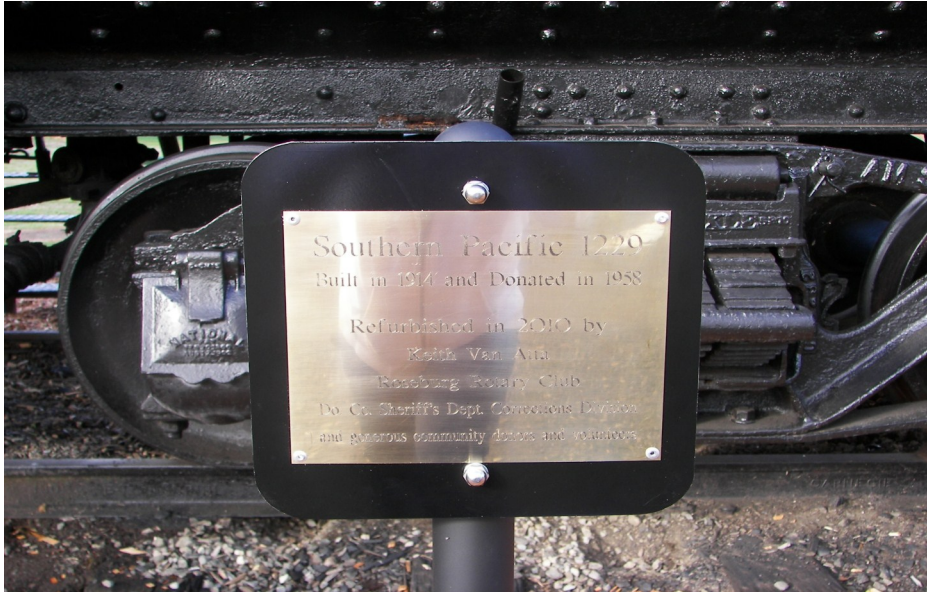
Our Adult Fitness Boot Camp has moved back indoors for the winter months. Boot Camp is held every Monday and Wednesday evening from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Hucrest Elementary School gym. This program offers a fun, ever-changing work-out that allows participants to exercise at their own pace. Boot Camp is offered on a convenient 'drop in' basis for \$1 per session.

Please check out the City's website for information on upcoming programs which include Movies in the Park, Wise Kids Outdoors, Sticks for Kids, Museum in the Park and youth archery. Also watch for the Roseburg Parks & Recreation Guide coming out in late spring!





# Southern Pacific 1229



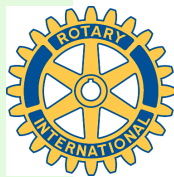
Hughes from the Douglas County Sheriff's Department brought work crews that helped scrape and paint the locomotive.

Additional members of the Rotary Club that assisted with the project include Scott Hendy, Barrett Rainey, Jim and Penny Cole, Tom Henderson, Rick Sohn, David Soder, Gary Gries and Leonard Pritchett.

The locomotive was built in 1914 and donated to the City of Roseburg in 1958. Since it was donated to the City more than 50 years ago, children of all ages have enjoyed countless hours climbing and exploring on the train, and it is a much-loved feature of Stewart Park.

Thank you to Keith and everyone else who volunteered for making the train appealing once again.

In late October 2010, members of the community gathered at the locomotive in Stewart Park to celebrate its restoration and acknowledge the efforts of many people that helped with the project. Spearheaded by Roseburg train enthusiast Keith Van Atta, the locomotive was 'adopted' by the local Rotary Club, and the restoration was worked on for a year by club members and others.



Also in attendance at the October celebration were Marcia Jackson and Rosie Sansom, children of former Roseburg train master Ted Bernard who was instrumental in originally bringing the locomotive to Roseburg. The sisters were delighted to see the locomotive restored to its previous beauty and happy that future generations of children will be able to play on the Stewart Park icon.

Community volunteers and donors that helped with the restoration project include Marie Rasmussen who purchased an antique bell that will be used to fabricate a new bell for the locomotive; Tim Johannes, Randy Boswell and Shawn Maddox completed metal repairs; Milo Anderson from Oregon Tool & Supply donated equipment and tools; Wayne Dodge

from Handyman Hardware donated paint; Scott Crowe and Mick Crowe assisted with the cleaning and metal work; Ryan Beckley from Beckley Excavation donated welding equipment and helped with metal work; Greg Reitman from Quality Fence donated security fencing; and Deputy Loren



**Keith Van Atta**



## Q & A: New City of Roseburg Park Rule – No Use of Tobacco

**What is the new park rule?** The new rule, effective January 1, 2011, prohibits smoking or use of other tobacco products inside the boundaries of all City of Roseburg parks, with the exception of the Stewart Park Golf Course. "Tobacco products" include any tobacco cigarette, cigar, pipe tobacco, smokeless tobacco, chewing tobacco or any other form of tobacco that may be used for smoking, chewing, inhalation or other means of ingestion. This includes public recreation facilities such as Gaddis Park, Stewart Park and Sunshine Park.



**What does a park visitor do if they want to smoke or use tobacco?** Effective January 1, 2011, park visitors who wish to smoke or use tobacco must physically go outside of park boundaries in an area where such activities are legally allowed, such as on a public sidewalk that is at least 10 feet away from building entrances, exits, or windows.

**How will the rule be enforced?** The new rule will be posted in all parks, and our efforts will focus

on educating the public on the change. When necessary, enforcement will be done by the Roseburg Police Department on a non-emergency basis. Roseburg Parks & Recreation will work closely with the Police as this new rule is introduced. We anticipate that officers will focus on education of the new rule and mostly issue warnings for some time unless a patron continues to violate the rule after being warned. The City's hope is that there will be voluntary compliance, with only an occasional friendly reminder needed.



**What is the fine for violating the rule?** Like all park rules, a violation of the rule constitutes a violation under Roseburg Municipal Code Chapter 1.06. The fine, to be determined by a judge, shall not exceed \$1,500. The police can also choose to issue a warning only, depending on the situation.

**What is the reason for this rule?** Roseburg Parks & Recreation's mission is to enrich people's lives through providing park and recreation facilities and programs that

benefit the quality of life for all Roseburg residents. Our Division's core values and goals include encouraging recreation and healthy living. A tobacco prohibition on all park property supports this endeavor and further enables us to foster a healthy community. Other benefits include cleaner air, reduced fire risk and less litter.

### **How did this change come about?**

The Parks & Recreation Division received complaints regarding the use of tobacco in our parks. As a result, the Parks & Recreation Commission discussed the possibility of a tobacco prohibition over the past year. The Commission asked staff to research potential park rules related to tobacco use and survey other cities and park and recreation agencies to determine if similar rules exist. After reviewing the information, the Commission approved adding the tobacco prohibition to the park rules and forwarded it to City Council. Resolution #2010-15, amending the park rules, was approved by City Council on November 8, 2010.

**Q & A: New City of Roseburg  
Park Rule – No Use of Tobacco**

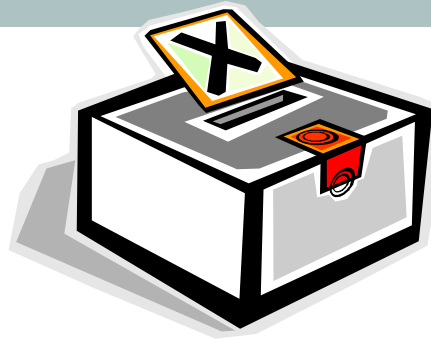
**What have other cities done with regard to the use of tobacco in parks?**

There are many other Oregon cities that have prohibited smoking and/or any tobacco products at all of their parks, including Bend, Corvallis, Newport, Ashland, Sherwood and Grants Pass. In addition to those in Oregon, hundreds of municipalities across the country have adopted a system-wide ban on smoking and/or tobacco products. The City of Portland has prohibited smoking within 25 feet of playgrounds and picnic tables in their parks, as well as the entire Pioneer Courthouse Square.

**Where can I find information about quitting smoking?** For people interested in information on quitting smoking and/or tobacco use, they can go to the website: [www.quitnow.net](http://www.quitnow.net) or they can call the Oregon Tobacco Quit Line at 800-QUIT-NOW.



**GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS**



As a result of the November General Election, there will be some changes in the City's representation. All candidates were unopposed in their respective positions. The citizens re-elected Mayor Larry Rich to his seventh term. Ward II Councilor Tom Ryan and Ward III Councilor Steve Kaser were elected to serve four-year terms. In Ward III, Bob Cotterell will replace outgoing Councilor Chris Spens.

In Ward I, Nick Marshall was elected to replace Verna Ward who chose not to run for re-election. Unfortunately, Mr. Marshall's Oath of Office is being held in abeyance. Subsequent to the elections, Marshall learned he may be unable to fulfill his position due to restrictions imposed by his employer, the Army National Guard. The Army has granted permission for Marshall to apply for a waiver of this prohibition. A determination on that waiver is pending.

If a determination is not made within 60 days of January 1, 2011, the Municipal Code

requires City Council to declare the Ward I Council position vacant. At that time, applications would be solicited from residents of Ward I (Voting Precincts 38, 39, and 40) interested in filling that position. Notification of such solicitation will be made through the City's website and all local media outlets.



(Left to Right) Councilors Steve Kaser, Bob Cotterell and Tom Ryan during swearing in ceremony with City Recorder Sheila Cox



Mayor Larry Rich during swearing in ceremony with City Recorder Sheila Cox



(Left to Right) Councilor Steve Kaser, Mayor Larry Rich, Councilor Tom Ryan and Councilor Bob Cotterell





# Public Works



## New Water System Master Plan Now Available

The City Council adopted the new Water System Master Plan at their October 25, 2010, meeting, replacing the previous plan adopted in 1993. The planning document is a requirement of the Oregon Public Health Division which, in conjunction with the USEPA, regulates public drinking water systems. This plan will guide the development of the transmission, distribution, pumping and reservoir systems for the next twenty years. The Water System Master Plan includes a Capital Improvement Plan which outlines needed improvements and upgrades to the system in the short, medium and long term.

The Roseburg Water System Master Plan is available for viewing on the City's website or for purchase in printed

format from the Public Works Department.

## Broad Street

The 2010 construction season saw much needed improvements to Broad Street between Navajo Avenue and Walter Court. Before the construction, the street was



narrow with deep drainage ditches on both sides and no pedestrian facilities. The improvements included widening the street, installing curb, gutters, sidewalks, bike lanes, storm drainage and street lighting. The project began in July and was completed in November. Project funding came from a

variety of sources including transportation (Douglas County), sidewalk/street light and storm drainage.

## Duck Pond Bike Path



The City received a grant from ODOT this year to design a new multi-use path connecting the existing path near the Stewart Park Natural Area with the existing path on the west side of I-5. The new path is being designed to connect these two areas through the Roseburg VA Healthcare campus. This project would close an important link in the bike and pedestrian system. Currently the connection is via a sidewalk and bike lane along Garden Valley Boulevard, the busiest street in town. The project is a high priority in the City's Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and Comprehensive Parks Master Plan. The City has also applied to ODOT via their Flexible Funds Program for a grant to construct this new path and should hear something early in 2011.



## Public Works

### ConnectOregon III Grants



The Roseburg Regional Airport experienced a successful year when it comes to grant applications. The airport was awarded a total of five *ConnectOregon III* grants from the Oregon Department of Transportation. The *ConnectOregon III* program is dedicated to improving the state's multimodal connections by funding non-highway projects. One of the program's intents is to construct transportation related projects that provide an economic development benefit. The *ConnectOregon III* program included two different components; one for all types of multi-modal traffic (air, freight, marine and transit) and one specifically dedicated to rural airports. The City received one grant through the main program and four grants through the rural airports program. The fifth *ConnectOregon III* grant was awarded

to construct a runway extension. The largest of the grant projects was awarded through the multi-modal program. That grant will fund the construction of a 400-foot runway extension plus a 100 foot blast pad on the north end of the existing runway. The intent is to improve the economic viability of the Douglas County area and to enhance the efficiency and safety of airport operations to support existing and future airport users. The runway extension project is estimated to cost \$1.5 million. Design is currently underway, with construction tentatively scheduled for 2011. The rural airport grants will be used to provide matching funds on FAA Airport Improvement Program Grants. These matching funds, in conjunction with FAA funding, will enable the City to proceed with design and construction of the taxiway relocation project.



Each spring the City of Roseburg Parks & Recreation Division publishes a community recreation guide. The goal is to connect Roseburg area residents with recreation services throughout our community. At this time we are requesting information on programs and events that will be taking place in 2011. If your group / organization has an event to include in the recreation guide, please submit a few sentences describing your group and any classes, programs or events planned for 2011. Please submit information to the City of Roseburg Parks & Recreation Division, 900 SE Douglas Ave., Roseburg, Oregon 97470 or email to [vligon@cityofroseburg.org](mailto:vligon@cityofroseburg.org).

Thank you and please contact Val Ligon at 541-492-6730 if you have any questions.





# Calendar of City Meetings



City Commissions conduct regular public meetings according to the following schedule:

Airport	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday	1:30 p.m.	Conference Room
City Council	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Monday	7:00 p.m.	Council Chambers
Economic Development	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	3:30 p.m.	Conference Room
Historic Resource Review	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday	3:30 p.m.	Conference Room
Parks & Recreation	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Conference Room
Planning	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday	7:00 p.m.	Council Chambers
Public Works	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday	3:30 p.m.	Conference Room
Visitors & Convention	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Conference Room

Depending upon the number of issues needing attention by the Commissions, special meetings may be scheduled or regular meetings may be cancelled. Upon final preparation, summaries of meeting agendas are forwarded to all news media and the News Review for inclusion in the public meeting calendar, are available at City Hall and on the City of Roseburg website at [www.cityofroseburg.org](http://www.cityofroseburg.org). Prior to attending a meeting, you may wish to call City Hall to ensure the meeting is going to be held.

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# Citizen's Guide to City Council Meetings

**Regular City Council meetings** are held the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers at 900 SE Douglas Avenue. Agendas for upcoming Council meetings are available on our website and in the City Manager's Office the Friday prior to the meeting. Current agendas are also available at the meeting. In rare instances, the Council may deal with agenda items out of order.



Citizens attending Council meetings may speak on any item on the agenda, unless the item is the subject of an executive session or a public hearing where comments have been taken and the hearing has closed. Citizens may speak when recognized by the chair and will be required to give their name and address for the official record. A minimum of 12 copies should be provided if you are submitting handouts to Council.

Time is set aside for **Public Participation** toward the beginning of each meeting. At this time, anyone wishing to address the City Council concerning items of interest not included in the agenda may do so for six minutes. The person addressing the Council shall, when recognized, state their name and address for the record, including whether or not they are a resident of the City. All remarks shall be directed to the entire City Council. The Council reserves the right to delay any action, if required, until such time when they are fully informed on the matter.

City Council and Planning Commission meetings are recorded on DVD, televised live over Charter Communications Channel 19 and may be viewed on our website. Replays are televised on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. on Channel 19. Audiotapes are taken for all other public meetings. After approval, written minutes, not verbatim transcripts, are available on our website.

To view full agenda packets online in a pdf format, go to [www.cityofroseburg.org](http://www.cityofroseburg.org) and click on 'City Council Meetings' and then click 'Council Agenda/Minutes'. Packets are available Thursday prior to the Council meeting (first and third Thursday of the month).





# Mayor and City Council

## Mayor—Larry Rich

Ward I  
Voting Precincts  
**38, 39, 40**

Coming  
Soon

Councilor Ward I  
Position 1  
**Vacant**



Councilor Ward I  
Position 2  
**Ken Averett**

Ward II  
Voting Precincts  
**36, 37**



Councilor Ward II  
Position 1  
**Tom Ryan**



Councilor Ward II  
Position 2  
**Steve Tuchscherer**

Ward III  
Voting Precincts  
**44, 45, 46, 47**



Councilor Ward III  
Position 1  
**Bob Cotterell**



Councilor Ward III  
Position 2  
**Rick Coen**

Ward IV  
Voting Precincts  
**41, 42, 43**



Councilor Ward IV  
Position 1  
**Steve Kaser**



Councilor Ward IV  
Position 2  
**Mike Baker**

### *Join the Celebration at Stewart Park—July 4, 2011*



Park events: local entertainment including Milepost 8 on stage, food vendors on site, motorcycle show-n-shine and fireworks show beginning at 9:55 p.m.

Roseburg Hometown 4th of July will soon have its own website. Watch for details and a link at [www.cityofroseburg.org](http://www.cityofroseburg.org) and click on 'Visitor' under Community Resources.

Volunteer Opportunity — Fundraising — Tax Deductible Donations

## CITIZEN SUGGESTION BOX

What suggestions do you have to share with your elected and appointed City officials?

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Please return suggestions to: City Manager's Office, 900 SE Douglas Avenue Roseburg, OR 97470  
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